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The method of claim \$4 or \$5 wherein the active agent is present in an amount of from 2 to 6% by weight.

The method of claim 84 or 85 wherein the active agent is present in an amount of from 2.5 to 5% by weight.

The method of claim. 84 or 85 wherein the active agent is present in an amount of from 1.25 to 10% by weight.

The method of claim 84 or 85 wherein the efficacy is at least 12 months against fleas.

The method of claim 34 or 85 wherein the efficacy is at least 18 months against fleas.

The method of claim &4 or &5 wherein the efficacy is at least 12 months against ticks.

The method of claim &4 or &5 wherein the efficacy is at least 15 months against ticks.

The method of claim 84 or 85, wherein the efficacy is maintained over periods of from 2 to 3 months against ticks and from 1 to 2 months against ticks after the collar is removed.

REMARKS

This amendment adds new independent claims 84 and 85, and dependent claims 86 – 96, with all other claims cancelled so as to place the case in condition for allowance in accordance with telephonic communications with the Examiner, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of any subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents. No new matter is added. Any fee occasioned by this paper or any overpayment therein may be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Early and favorable reconsideration of the application and prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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